GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA

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VISIT OF TOURISTS TO LAKSHADWEEP
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the number of foreign/domestic tourists visited Lakshadweep during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the amount of revenue generated therefrom during the said period;

(c) whether any share is given to Panchayat bodies;

(d) if not, whether the Government earmark a share of income to PRIs; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by the Government to increase tourist inflow?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SMT. RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a) and (b): As per the data received from the Union Territory of Lakshadweep, foreign and domestic tourists visits to the UT during the last 3 years and revenue generated is as follows:

Year	Tourist visits(domestic & foreign)	Revenue generated(Rs. lakhs)
2002-03	5004	341.63
2003-04	4322	271.99
2004-05	2588	177.79

(c) and (d): No, Sir.

(e): In order to increase tourist flow, the Union Territory has undertaken publicity through various media. Efforts have also been made to improve transport facilities.